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1. AS DEPARTMENT IS AWARE, WE CONVEYED PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE TO PRIME MINISTER MORNING OF JANUARY 9. SUBSEQUENTLY, PRIME MINISTER'S PRIVATE SECRETARY TELEPHONED TO INFORM US THAT PM WISHED REFER TO MESSAGE IN HIS SPEECH TO HOUSE OF COMMONS IN AFTERNOON. AFTER CHECKING WITH DEPARTMENT, WE RELAYED WHITE HOUSE CONCURRENCE WHICH WAS MUCH APPRECIATED BY PRIME MINISTER.

2. PM'S STATEMENT WAS SUBSTANTIALLY AS FOLLOWS: BEGIN QUOTE: WE HAVE PUT SOME IDEAS TO THE AMERICAN ADMINISTRATION ON HOW TO FOLLOW UP DR. KISSINGER'S
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LONDON. MEANWHILE I UNDERSTAND THAT AN ANNOUNCEMENT WILL BE MADE SHORTLY BY THE AMERICAN PRESIDENT ABOUT THE NEW PROPOSALS. AS SOON AS THESE PROPOSALS ARE RECEIVED--WHICH I UNDERSTAND WILL BE IN THE NEAR FUTURE--WE SHALL CONSULT WITH OUR COMMUNITY PARTNERS ABOUT OUR RESPONSE. END QUOTE.

3. WE DISCUSSED PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE WITH SIR THOMAS BRIMELOW, PERMANENT UNDER SECRETARY, FCO, WHO ANTICIPATED STRAIGHTFORWARD UK ACCEPTANCE OF INVITATION. COMPOSITION OF GROUP RAISED NO PROBLEMS FOR BRIMELOW WHO SAID THAT UK ACTION AT RECENT COPENHAGEN SUMMIT IN REFERRING OIL QUESTION TO OECD WAS FOR PURPOSE OF AVOIDING FRENCH VETO. BRIMELOW SAID FCO ASSESSMENT IS THAT FRENCH WOULD PROBABLY ACCEPT PRESIDENT'S INVITATION AND WOULD BE UNHELPFUL AT CONFERENCE.

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